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TRAFFIC REALIGNMENT ON 60/215 AT MARTIN LUTHER KING BOULEVARD

RIVERSIDE – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will once again realign the 60/215 freeways to allow for median work. On Friday, March 2, 2007 at 5:00 a.m., the westbound 60/northbound 215 will shift alignment as well to accommodate work needing to be done in the opposite direction. The realignment for both northbound and southbound directions will remain until the completion of the Martin Luther King, (MLK), bridge.

The realignment will allow the contractor to shift traffic away from the median, giving the necessary work area to continue the construction in the area of MLK. The ongoing construction at MLK is part of the 60/91/215 freeway improvement project. MLK will eventually allow motorists to access on and off ramps directly from MLK without traveling on Sycamore Canyon Boulevard.

At the completion of the 60/91/215 project, motorists will also be able to travel under the freeway to get from one side of the freeway to the other. The overall work being done in this area consists of constructing retaining walls, drainage systems, installing signals, roadway excavation, paving, curbs, gutters and sidewalks. As a result of this project Sycamore Canyon Boulevard will no longer be accessible to motorists and will ultimately become a cul de sac.

Caltrans wants to thank RCTC and CHP for their support with deploying Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) tow trucks in various construction areas to remove disabled vehicles from the 60/91/215 work zone, reducing the congestion for everyone.

Caltrans would also like to thank motorists for their continued patience and support during the 60/91/215 improvement project. Caltrans asks that motorists please be aware of the construction area and always make a point to ***SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE***.

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